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Appellant's brief presents arguments relating to whether Cooper et al. (U.S. Pat. No. 6,199,902) is available as prior art against the patentability of claims 1-5, 7-21, 23 and 24 in light of a claim of priority of the present application under 35 U.S.C 120. This issue relates to petitionable subject matter under 37 CFR 1.181 and not to appealable subject matter. See MPEP § 1002 and § 1201.

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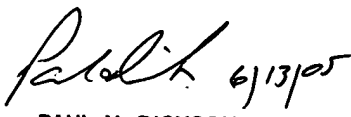
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